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In Shkoder there is a Zek. i Punovat Te Mbendeshme Iprithit-Shkoder (Section of Internal Affairs for the Region of Shkoder), with offices on Mr. Krajivo, and a Komitati Executiv Kshillit Ipunillor Iprithit-Shkoder (Executive Committee of the People's Board for the Region of Shkoder), with offices on Mr. Hasan Riza.

Procedures for Persons Within the Government's Field of Labor

In "Take the case of a Shkoder resident, employed within the Government's field of labor, who must travel from Shkoder to Elbasan for some matter connected with his job. We shall give him the fictitious name of Afer Rexhperi.

(a) He secures from his place of work the usual Urdher Sherbimi (Work Order). This establishes his priority to obtain a reserved bus seat. The Urdher Sherbimi document is typewritten, not printed, on white paper, about 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches. It is not registered -- therefore the word 'Urdher'. An Urdher Sherbimi for this man might appear as follows:

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REPUBLIKA POPULORE SHQIPËRISE
KOMITETI EKZ. K.P. RËSHTHIT
Nr....RTRA.....Prot.

V.F. L.F.
Shkoder 15.7.1952

URDHEK - DHEZETI

Nepunçi Abaz KOMITETI prane KOMITETIT EKZ. K...

te RËSHTHIT Shkoder shkon me sherbim - DHEZSAN -

Agjensia e Pasagjoravet ngarkohet ti rezervoje vendin.

PER KOMITETIT EKZ. K.P. RËSHTHIT

S E K R E T A R I
(.....)

V U L A

K H Y E T A R I
(.....)

translation

Albanian People's Republic
Executive Committee of the People's
Board of the Region
Nr....RTRA...Prot

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WORK ORDER

Employee Abaz KOMITETI, of this Executive
Committee of the People's Board of the Shkoder region, is
travelling to Ilbasan on his job. The State Passenger Agency
must reserve him a seat.

For the Executive Committee of the
People's Board of the Region
Secretary President
(signed) Stamp (signed)

(b) Rexhepi next reports to the Kryetar (President) of the Kshilli Lagjes
(Town Sector Council) of the town sector in which he lives. According
to a law, dated March 52, of the Ministrija e Punave te Brendoshme
(Ministry of Internal Affairs - MPA), all citizens must report all
movements to their respective Kryetar of Kshilli Lagjes or village
and to their respective S.S.H. (Siqurimi Shtetit - Security Police)
office as follows:

- (1) If the period of absence exceeds 48 hours, the citizen must report in person to the Kryetar of his Kshilli Lagjes. The Kryetar makes his own report to the People's Board of the town. The citizen then reports to the S.S.H. On a special page of his Letër Njësoftimit (Identification Card) a NCO (usually a Marshall or Aspirant) stamps the stamp of the office. The NCO also registers the man's departure in the S.S.H. files.
- (2) If the period of absence is to be less than 48 hours, the citizen need report (either in person or through relatives) to the Kryetar of his Kshilli Lagjes only, not to the S.S.H. The Kryetar will report to the S.S.H. if the citizen does not return when due.

(c) Rexhepi next reports to the Agjensia Pasagjoravet on Nr. Kirajve.
Passengers line up for tickets in the following order:

- (1) Military personnel

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(2) Civilians in possession of an Urdher-Sherbind or Urdher-Transferimi (Order of Transfer) [redacted].

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(3) Civilians in possession of a Triska Invalidevet (document certifying that the civilian had a relative who died as a partisan hero during World War II).

(4) Others.

The Fronti-Demokratik membership card is sufficient identification to obtain a bus ticket, otherwise the regular Leter Njofitimit. An S.S.H. guard collects the identification from each passenger and arranges the line of priorities. The ticket agent copies off the passenger's personal data to prepare his bus ticket and the list of passengers. The identification is then returned. A bus ticket from Shkoder to Tirana costs 117 Lek / 1952/. Rexhepi's ticket is prepared on a white printed form that carries a serial number, sized about 3 5/8 x 5 inches. It might appear as follows:

REPUBLIKA POPULLORE SHQIPERIE
MINISTRIA KOMUNIKACIONIT.

No. 234567

BILLET - UDHETIMI

Emri Mbiemri.....
Kilometrazi.....
Udheton prej.....Dori.....
Data.....Ora.....
Numer vendit.....

[entries written by ticket agent]

VULA
NDEUNST AGJENSIYE
(.....)

[translation]

Albanian People's Republic
Ministry of Transport

No. 234567

TRAVEL TICKET

Name and Surname....Abaz Rexhepi.
Number of kilometers....120 km....
Departing from....Shkoder....to....Tirana....
Date.....hour.....
Seat number.....

Stamp

Travel Agency Employee
(signature)

(d) The bus from Shkoder to Tirana usually leaves at 2 P.M. The driver has a Manifesta (List of passengers) [redacted] to produce for Policia e Rruges (S.S.H. Traffic Police) checks along the road. The police check the identification of the passengers by the driver's Manifesta.

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- (e) There are no checks at the bus station in Tirana. Anyone is free to go as he pleases.
- (f) Rexhepi goes to the railroad station to buy a train ticket from Tirana to Elbasan. There are no identification formalities here. The ticket does not bear the passenger's name. A ticket from Tirana to Elbasan costs 220 Lek. There are not checks at the station entrance or exit. The only checks on the train are ticket checks; there are no document controls.
- (g) When he arrives at his destination, Elbasan, Rexhepi must, according to the MPM law of March 52, complete the following formalities:
 - (1) If he means to stay in Elbasan less than 48 hours, he reports only to the Kryetar of the Kshilli Lajges in which he will be staying. He tells him how long he will be staying, care of whom and what address.
 - (2) If he means to stay in Elbasan for a period longer than 48 hours, he must report to the Kryetar of the Kshilli Lajges and also to the S.S.H. office of Elbasan. There a S.S.H. NCO stamps his arrival on the same page of the Leter Njoffimit that was stamped on departure from Shkodra. The arrival is registered in the S.S.H. files.

4. "If a Shkodra resident, employed within the Government's field of labor, has been transferred for an indefinite period to another region, the formalities are the same as above. Through the Kryetar of his Kshilli Lajges, he and his documents are transferred from the jurisdiction of the Civil State Section of the People's Board of Shkodra to the People's Board of his new place of residence. He must also have the Kryetar of his Kshilli Lajges cancel his name from the Lista Familiare (Family List) of his place of residence. In the new town he registers with his new Kryetar and with the S.S.H.

Procedures for Persons Outside the Government's Field of Labor

5. "Take the case of a Shkodra resident who is outside the Government's field of labor. He follows the same procedures for temporary travel or permanent transfer of residence. He does not have to get a travel authorization from any authority, provided he complies with the former procedures and has a place to stay at his destination. He has no information on border zone travel.

6. "The Urbanizmit law affects transfer of residence for persons outside the field of labor. There are actually two laws, dated Aug 51 and Feb 52. They are observed by the Sok. Shtetimit (Housing Section) of each People's Board. The law provides that residence within the city of Tirana is directly linked to social origin; reactionaries and persons of Shteteg e Pasun (capitalistic) origin are not permitted to live there. This is due to the terrible housing shortage in Tirana."

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